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World Summit for Social Development

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 47/92 of 16 December 1992, by which it decided to convene a World Summit for Social Development, agreed on the objectives and core issues of the Summit and, inter alia, established a Preparatory Committee,

Recalling also the deliberations of the High-level Segment of the Economic and Social Council for 1993 on the item "World Summit for Social Development" and the deliberations of the Commission for Social Development at its thirty-third session, 1/

1/ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1993, Supplement No. 4 (E/1993/24), chap. II.

Recalling further the decision by the Preparatory Committee at its organizational session to convene the World Summit for Social Development from 11 to 12 March 1995, preceded by a meeting of personal representatives of the heads of State and Government or other appropriate high-level representatives specifically designated by Governments from 6 to 10 March 1995 in Copenhagen, Denmark,

Considering that the World Summit for Social Development and its preparatory process should strengthen efforts by all countries to promote policies for the enhancement of social integration in all societies, the alleviation and reduction of poverty and the expansion of productive employment,

Considering also the contributions of non-governmental organizations,

Taking into account the need to facilitate the work of the substantive sessions of the Preparatory Committee,

1. Takes note with appreciation of the summary prepared by the President of the Economic and Social Council on the deliberations of the High-level Segment of the Economic and Social Council during the regular session for 1993 and of resolution 33/1 adopted by the Commission for Social Development at its thirty-third session; 2/

2. Also takes note with appreciation of the report of the Preparatory Committee on its organizational session;

3. Calls upon all Member States, in accordance with paragraph 8 of General Assembly resolution 47/92, to appoint personal representatives of the heads of State and/or Government or other appropriate high-level representatives specifically designated by Governments for their participation in the first substantive session of the Preparatory Committee;

4. Invites all Member States to contribute generously to the voluntary Trust Fund established in accordance with General Assembly resolution 47/92 for the additional activities required for the preparation and holding of the World Summit for Social Development, particularly the participation of the least developed countries in the Summit and its preparatory process;

5. Invites all Member States to set up National Committees or other arrangements for the World Summit for Social Development and to hold meetings for public debate on the core issues to be addressed by the Summit;

6. Requests the Secretary-General to make the necessary provisions, within existing resources, in order that the Preparatory Committee may, if it so decides:

(a) Establish, during the first substantive session, a working group of the whole to meet in parallel with the plenary for a duration of one week;

2/ Ibid., chap. I.D.

(b) Establish, during the second substantive session, a working group of the whole to meet in parallel with the plenary for a duration of two weeks;

(c) Establish, during the third substantive session, two working groups to meet in parallel with the plenary for a duration of two weeks;

7. Calls upon the Secretary-General to report to the Preparatory Committee at its first substantive session on the implementation of the programme of public information for the World Summit for Social Development;

8. Invites the organs, organizations and programmes of the United Nations system as well as other intergovernmental organizations, in particular the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Development Programme, the International Labour Organization, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the United Nations Population Fund, the Food and Agriculture Organization, the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements, regional commissions, the relevant regional organizations, the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank to inform the Preparatory Committee on their contributions to the Summit and its preparatory work at its first substantive session;

9. Calls upon the non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the United Nations and those accredited to the Summit and its preparatory process to contribute fully to the work of the Preparatory Committee and to the Summit;

10. Requests the Preparatory Committee to report to the General Assembly at its forty-ninth session on the progress of work of the Committee and the preparations for the Summit.